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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1475 Press ~~Mis.~~

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Dated 31—10 1859

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No. 101. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government Revenue Department Fort Saint George; dated 26th October 1859, No. 941.

1. In their Proceedings dated 7th June last No. 758, the Government authorized me to employ the requisite number of hands in Masulipatam and Rajahmundry where the village servants might be insufficient to meet the requirements of the Survey Department; and in my application of the 4th July No. 573, I requested that an advance of Rupees 500 might be sanctioned for the payment of the men so employed, and that the Civil Auditor should be instructed to pass *montly* contingent Bills for the expenditure, the advance being adjusted monthly on the bills being passed, which was accordingly authorized by Government in Proceedings dated 20th idem No. 971.

2. In making this application it was obviously intended that the advance should remain as a floating fund in the hands of the disbursing officer in order that he might be enabled to meet the cost of the Coolies, who have to be paid daily, or at the farthest punctually at the close of the month, and that the sums so expended out of the advance, should be replaced on the Bills being passed by the Civil Auditor and the amount being drawn from the Treasury. But my Deputy at Masulipatam reports that "the Civil Auditor objected to pass his contingent Bill for expenditure on account of coolies labor for the Survey for August on the ground that Rupees* 443-10-1 had been already passed by him on that score for the months of June and July, being apparently under the impression that the sanction of Government dated 20th July 1859, No. 971 extended only to the disbursement of a total sum of Rupees 500 not to its disbursement monthly."

Amounting to Rupees.....	113	11	10
* *June*.....	109	10	4
July.....	333	15	9
	443	10	1

3. Under these circumstances, I have the honor to request the Government will be pleased to instruct the Civil Auditor, to pass bills for the actual expenditure incurred *monthly* on account of coolie hire according to exigencies as originally contemplated, the sum of Rupees 500 being considered as a fund available towards each months expenditure, as far as it is required to be met in advance and before the bills can be adjusted after audit.

4. An order at earlist convenience is requested as the present sanction of Government is vitiated by the delay occasioned by this reference, there being no funds to meet the requirements of the Survey party as respects laborers for measuring, until the past charges are audited and the advance replaced.

5. The subject of substituting a fixed Establishment for this occasional labor is now pending before the Government.

No. 102. ORDER THEREON, 31st October 1859, No. 1475.

The advances sanctioned by Government on the 20th July 1859,* are to be regarded as a permanent advance. The Civil Auditor will pass contingent bills monthly, not exceeding the amount named, for expenditure out of those advances, and on the bills being so passed, the amounts will be disbursed by the Collectors of Rajahmundry and Masulipatam respectively, to replace the sums expended out of the advances.

* *Order No.* 971.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

Revenue Settlement Office,
Madras,
26th October 1859.

No. 941

From,
H. Newill Esqre
Director of Revenue Settlement

To,
J. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most obedient Servant

Director of Revenue Settlement

To,

J. D. Bourdillon Esqre

Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

Fort St. George

A. 10th June/59 Nos 43-44
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Revenue 1859 Department
Pros. of Govt. 31st October No 1976.
From H. Newill Esqre
Director of Revenue Settlement
To J. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George

Dated 26th October 1859
Recd 27 October 1859
No 941

Encl:
No. 1475 - 31st Oct.

Intimates that the Civil Auditor has restricted the expenditure on account of Coolie Labor for the Survey Department in Masulipatam to 500 Rupees under the impression that the advance sanctioned by Government extended only to the disbursement of that amount and requests that early orders may be issued to him to pass Bills for the monthly expenditure incurred on that account the advance being considered as a floating fund to meet immediate requirements.

William Oder

No. 101 + 102.

Immediate

No 1475.

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Fort St. Geo.
31st October 1859.

9 Copies. Director of Rev. Settlement Cuttack
1 " Accountant General
3 " Civil Auditor
1 " Collector of Rajahmundry
1 " Masulipatam